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Dear Commissioner:

Enclosed for filing please find a response to a non-final Office Action dated November 15, 2004. A shortened statutory period of one (1) month was set for response. A Petition for Extension of time for three months is also enclosed, along with a check in the amount of \$510 as payment for the three-month Extension Fee.

I hereby certify that this correspondence, the response, the Request for Extension, and the Extension Fee in the amount of \$510 are being deposited with the United States Post Office for Express Mail Delivery "to addressee" in an envelope addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on March 11, 2005.

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This communication is a response to a non-final Office Action dated November 15, 2004 and provides amendments to the specification, drawings, and claims. Most of the changes to the specification relate to the Examiner's request for the applicants to remove a diagram from the specification and include it as an additional drawing. In addition, several typographical errors in specification were corrected and a few other changes were made that further clarify the text. Amendments to the claims include the providing of proper antecedent where needed, the removal of indefinite language, and other changes that provide disclosure in claims 1-20 of an invention that is distinguishable from the Dahle and Aschauer inventions. The applicants herein believe that no new matter has been added as a result of the amendments made.